GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

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WORLD BANK ASSISTANCE FOR STUDY ON HYDROLOGY
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of proposals received from State Governments including Karnataka seeking World Bank assistance or assistance from foreign agencies for Hydrology study during the last two years;

(b) the proposals cleared/rejected by the Government, State- wise; and

(c) the total financial assistance received from World Bank or from foreign agencies?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) to (c) No proposal has been received from the State Governments, including Karnataka for Hydrology Study. However, the Government of India has launched Hydrology Project in September, 1995 with the assistance of World Bank (IDA) with the objective to improve the institutional and organizational arrangements, technical capabilities and physical facilities available for measurement, validation, collection, analysis, transfer and dissemination of hydrological, hydro-meteorological and water quality data for water resources evaluation and planning & management. The revised total cost of the project has been estimated at Rs.616.22 Crores. Besides under the bilateral Indo-Dutch agreement the Government of Netherlands is providing a grant-in-aid assistance of 29.9 Million Dutch Guilders (US $ 17.4 Million) in the form of Technical Assistance as Consultancy Services and Overseas Training. The project closing date is March 31, 2003. The project is being implemented by five Central agencies viz. Central Water Commission, Central Ground Water Board, National Institute of Hydrology, Central Water & Power Research Station & Indian Meteorological Department and nine States viz. Andhra Pradesh, Chattisgarh , Gujarat, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa & Tamilnadu.